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SUBJECT: MEETING OF THE NINE ON CYPRUS

1. SUMMARY: IN FURTHERANCE FRENCH CONTINUED CONSULTATIONS ON CYPRUS DE MARGERIE, DIRECTOR OF EUROPEAN

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AFFAIRS QUAI D'ORSAY, GAVE CHARGE REPORT OF MEETING OF

NINE HELD IN PARIS AUGUST 19 TO REVIEW CYPRUS SITUATION. NINE HAVE AGREED TO CONSIDER HUMANITARIAN AID IN COUNCIL OF EUROPE AND TO EXAMINE POSSIBILITY OF RESUMING EC NEGOTIATIONS WITH GREECE. END SUMMARY.

2. DE MARGERIE SAID MEETING OF NINE ON CYPRUS WHICH TOOK PLACE AT THE QUAI AUGUST 19 BEGAN WITH GENERAL ANALYSIS OF THE PRESENT SITUATION BASED PRINCIPALLY ON BRITISH DESCRIPTION OF RESULTS US-UK EXCHANGES OVER WEEKEND AND HOPES FOR EARLY RESUMPTION GENEVA NEGOTIATIONS. CONSENSUS OF NINE SUPPORTED CONCEPT THAT BEST PROMISE FOR LASTING SOLUTION LAY IN CONCEPT BI-REGIONAL FEDERATION. THE BRITISH REPRESENTATIVE EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT IF PRESIDENT CLERIDES ACCEPTED THE PROPOSALS THEY COULD THEN EXTRACT FROM TURKEY SOME SPECIFIC COMMITMENTS FOR WITHDRAWALS OF TROOPS AND FOR RELINQUISHING SOME TERRITORY.

3. WHEN CHARGE RAISED QUESTION OF POSSIBLE DISASTER RELIEF FOR CYPRUS BASED ON STATE 182090 DE MARGERIE SAID THAT NINE HAD AGREED TO TRY AND DO SOMETHING THROUGH THE ICRC. THEY HAD AGREED TO MEET AUGUST 21 IN THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE IN RESPONSE TO A REQUEST FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE ASSEMBLY OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE TO CONVENE A MEETING OF THE PERMANENT DELEGATES. IN REPLY TO MY QUESTION REGARDING THE FORUM DE MARGERIE EXPLAINED THAT THERE ALREADY EXISTED A FUND UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE WHICH COULD BE USED FOR DISASTER RELIEF IN THE CIRCUMSTANCES. FURTHERMORE HE POINTED OUT THAT RESIDENT CYPRIOT AMBASSADOR IN PARIS HAD EARLIER SERVED AS DEPUTY SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE AND WAS STILL THE REPRESENTATIVE OF CYPRUS TO THE COMMITTEE OF DELEGATES OF THAT ORGANIZATION, AND HE BELIEVED THAT THE CYPRIOT AMBASSADOR HAD HAD A HAND IN ENCOURAGING DISCUSSION OF THE ISSUE WITHIN THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE.

4. DE MARGERIE SAID THAT NINE HAD FURTHER CONSIDERED QUESTION OF ANY USEFUL DIPLOMATIC MOVE THAT THEY MIGHT UNDERTAKE. THEY HAD AGREED AMONGST THEMSELVES THAT TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE EXTENT THEY WERE INDIVIDUALLY IN CONTACT WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF TURKEY, THEY WOULD INFORM THE TURKS

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THAT THEY "EARNESTLY HOPED" THE GOT WOULD STOP ANY
FURTHER ADVANCES OF THEIR ARMED FORCES. NINE ALSO
EXPRESSED THEMSELVES AS FAVORABLE TO A DIALOGUE BASED
ON THE RIGHTS OF BOTH COMMUNITIES AND ENCOMPASSING THE
SIMULTANEOUS WITHDRAWAL OF FORCES FROM BOTH PARTIES.

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5. NINE ALSO FOCUSED ON DESIRABILITY OF GIVING GREEK GOVERNMENT SOME FEELING OF UNDERSTANDING OF THEIR PRESENT PLIGHT AND THEY WERE STUDYING WHAT THEY COULD DO TO THIS END. ONE IDEA INVOLVED THE RESUMPTION OF NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE COMMUNITY AND THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE FOR ASSOCIATED STATUS. DE MARGERIE POINTED OUT THAT THESE NEGOTIATIONS HAD BEEN BROKEN OFF BY THE COMMUNITY WHEN THE DEMOCRATIC REGIME IN GREECE WAS OVERTHROWN BY THE MILITARY. IT POSED DIFFICULTIES FOR THE COMMUNITY TO RESUME NEGOTIATIONS IN THE ABSENCE OF A FREELY ELECTED GOVERNMENT. HOWEVER, THE NINE WOULD STUDY THE PROBLEM TO SEE IF SOME PRACTICAL FORMULA COULD BE FOUND WHICH WOULD PERMIT THE RECONVENING OF THE NEGOTIATIONS.

6. DE MARGERIE MADE IT CLEAR THAT IN THEIR CAPACITY AS PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL THE FRENCH WISH TO CONTINUE CLOSE CONSULTATIONS WITH US ON CYPRUS.
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